IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

William M. Hiatt

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MAKING SAME

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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Office Action mailed February 26, 2007, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on May 29, 2007 since May 26, 2007, falls on a Saturday and May 28, 2007, is a federal holiday. 37 C.F.R. § 1.7.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.